

AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

Please amend this application's drawings by replacing the original sheets containing the informal FIGS. 1-29 with the enclosed Replacement Sheets which contain formal FIGS. 1-25, wherein prior figures 21, and 25-27 having been deleted in response to the Examiner's prior objections.

REMARKS

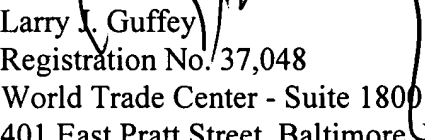
The Applicants acknowledge the Examiner's decision that Claims 1-7 and 28-33 are allowable and that the application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters.

All of these formal matters have been addressed in this Response such that this filing should hopefully place the application in an "issuance ready" condition.

In view of the above, it is submitted that this amended application has now been placed in condition for allowance. The prompt issuance of this amended application is requested.

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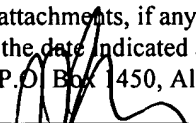
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